MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

Lady Upadhyayas and Mahopadhyayas.

226 *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of ladies who have passed the Upadhyaya and Mahopadhyaya examinations in the State?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): During the years 1101 to 1110, 6 ladies have passed the Upadhyaya Examination and 3 ladies the Mahopadhyaya Examination.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether the three ladies who have passed the Mahopadhaya Examination have been given suitable appointments?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): The information is not now available with me. If the member would put down his question, I should be glad to try and gather the information.

Expenditure on the depressed classes.

227 *MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the amount sanctioned in the last budget for the uplift of the depressed classes and the amount spent out of it through the Department of the Protector of the Depressed Classes?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*):

Amount sanctioned	Rs. 10,000.
Amount spent	Rs. 2,350

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI (*Nominated*): ഫ ഫ ച o ലെ ബഡ്ജറിൽ പതിനായിരം രൂപാ ചേർത്തിരുന്നതിൽ ര,ന ങ o -രൂപാ ചെലവാക്കി എന്ന മറുപടിയിൽ പറഞ്ഞുകാണുന്നു. ബാക്കിയുള്ള സംഖ്യ ചെലവാക്കാത്തതിനുള്ള കാരണമെന്താണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): ഈ ആണ്ടു് ഇടവമാസംവരെയുള്ള കണക്കാണു് ഇവിടെ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ളതു്. അതിനുശേഷവും കുറേക്കൂടി ചെലവാക്കിയിരിക്കണം.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): May I know whether Government sanction is necessary for expenditure of money by the Protector?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The powers of officers to spend money are regulated by certain provisions in the Account Code.

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MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): May I know whether, in 1109 also, a major portion of the allotment for the uplift of the depressed classes was allowed to lapse ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): Did the Goveanment enquire into the reasons why the allotment was allowed to lapse ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes. The schemes were not ready for execution.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): Why is it that there was delay in giving effect to the recommendations proposed by the Protector of Depressed classes ?

MR T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Of course the proposals made by the Protector of the Depressed classes have to be considered and several references have to be made to the several departments.

MR CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): May I know whether, after the scheme has been submitted by the Protector of Depressed classes in 1108 and 1109, it is still pending enquiry or sanctioned ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, most of them are under consideration.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): May I know why they are pending so long after consideration and reply of the Government ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Some of them, after consideration were found not practicable and they were dropped subsequently. Some have been sanctioned.

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